

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #68-12-9 Building Date: 1905

Building Name: Gigous House

Location: 3900 Rhode Island Avenue, Brentwood, Maryland

Private/Commercial/Occupied/Good/Restricted

Description

The Gigous House is a 2 1/2 story, hip-roof frame dwelling of Foursquare plan. It is four bays by three, and entrance is in the first bay of the main southeast facade, through a door with transom and sidelights. The original wood siding is covered with beige asbestos shingle; trim is brown. The cornice is decorated with modillions over a narrow dentil frieze. The slightly flared hip roof is covered with green asbestos shingle; there are three shed dormers (one each in the front and two side planes of the roof), and a central chimney rises from the ridge, possibly framed originally by cresting. The house fronts on the old streetcar right-of-way, now Rhode Island Avenue.

Significance

The Gigous House is an excellent example of the American Foursquare with Colonial Revival decorative motifs. It was built in 1905 for the family of Winter and Florence Gigous. Gigous worked as superintendent of a construction company, and his house is a prominent example of the substantial dwellings built in the early subdivision.

Acreage: 9,520 square feet

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. PG#68-12-9

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Gigous House

and/or common Brentwood Animal Hospital

## 2. Location

street & number 3900 Rhode Island Avenue ☐ not for publication

city, town Brentwood ☐ vicinity of congressional district 4

state Maryland county Prince George's

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Pervaiz Manzoor

street & number 3900 Rhode Island Avenue telephone no.:

city, town Brentwood state and zip code MD 20722

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 6977

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 746

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

1905

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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The house has been adapted to serve as the Brentwood Animal Hospital.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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[Prince George's County Deeds](#)  
[Prince George's County Tax Assessments](#)  
[Prince George's County Probate Records](#)  
[Prince George's County Plats](#)

## 10. Geographical Data

**Acreage of nominated property** 9,520 sq ft

(Holladay, Block 18, lot 5)

Quadrangle name Washington East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

**UTM References** do NOT complete UTM references

**A**

Zone      Easting      Northing

**B**

Diagram B shows three separate coordinate axes. The first axis is labeled 'Zone' and has two tick marks. The second axis is labeled 'Easting' and has four tick marks. The third axis is labeled 'Northing' and has four tick marks. Each axis is represented by a horizontal line with vertical tick marks extending upwards.

**C**

D

E                              

[illegible]

**G** 

[illegible]

### Verbal boundary description and justification

**List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries**

state	code	county	code
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**11. Form Prepared By**

<b>name/title</b>	Susan G. Pearl, Research/Architectural Historian
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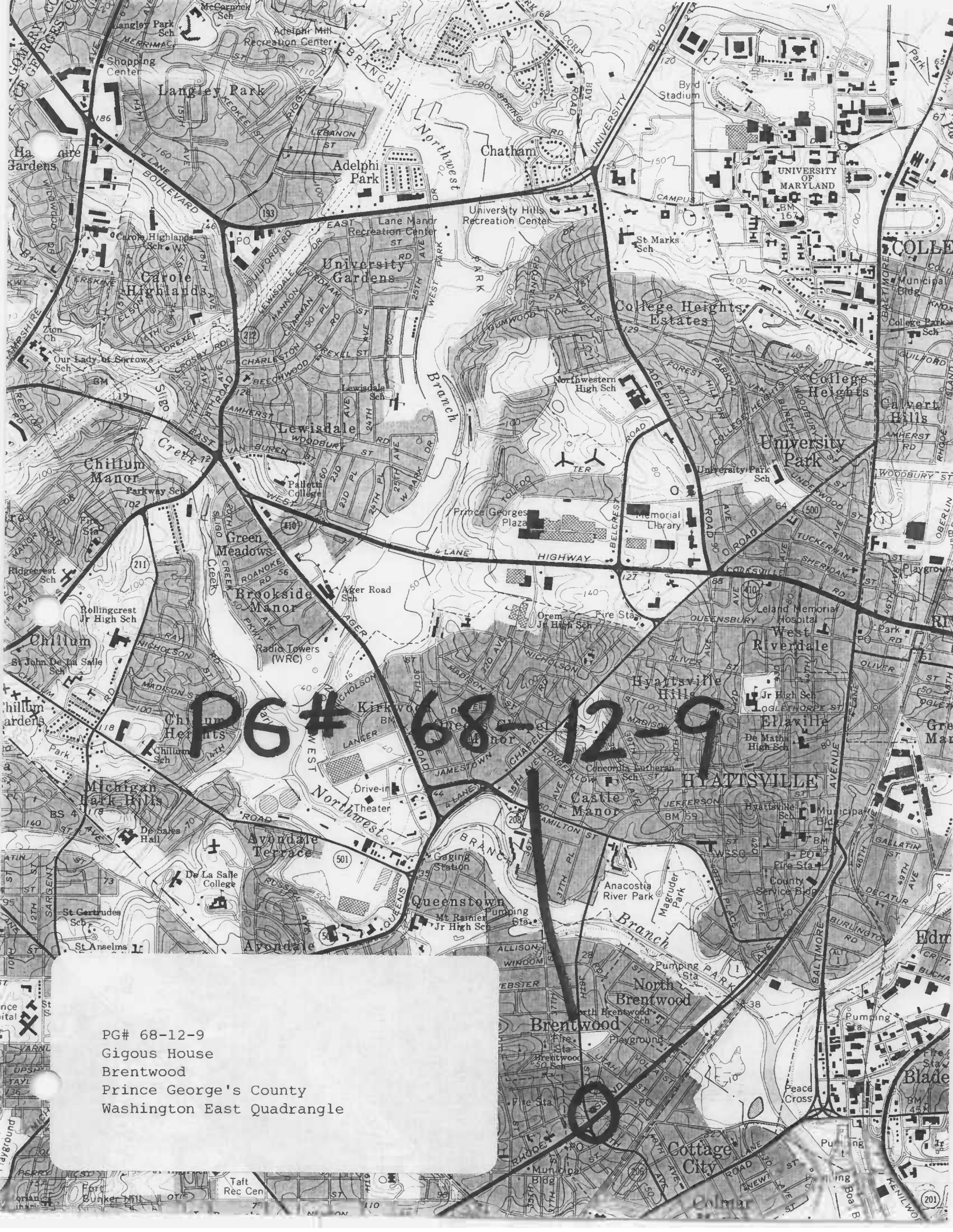
city or town Upper Marlboro

state MD

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Gigous House  
Brentwood  
Prince George's County  
Washington East Quadrangle



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W. Hegons House

3900 R.I. Ave,

Brentwood, P.G.Co.

~~James~~ L. Pears

June 1992

Southeast facade